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Subject: Publication Notice for Cherry Ranch
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Comments: Steve, Here is a fax copy of the Publication Notice to be published in a newspaper of the surrounding area where the land is located. We have a time limit on this for 30 days and then pending no one files in District Court, we then move to sign the Deeds making this property trust... Sorry for not getting this out sooner to you.

The originals are being sent to the Chairman, certified US mail.

We'll be in touch.

If you have any questions please give me a call.

Thanks for your help.

From the desk of...
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JAN 29 2004

Honorable Billy Cypress
Chairman, Miccosukee Indian Tribe
Taminami Station
P. O. Box 440021
Miami, Florida 33144

Dear Chairman Cypress:

We have determined that the United States of America (USA) will accept into trust for the benefit of the Miccosukee Tribe of Florida (Tribe), a parcel of land being situated in Highlands County, Florida. The property is described as the Cherry Ranch property containing approximately 2361.162 acres, more or less.

Please publish the FINAL NOTICE OF INTENT TO TAKE LAND INTO TRUST in a local paper. Return an affidavit from the paper stating the date of publication to: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Eastern Regional Office, ATTN: Real Estate Services, 711 Stewarts Ferry Pike, Nashville, TN 37214.

The Secretary shall acquire title in the name of the USA no sooner than thirty (30) days after the notice is published. This notice is published in accordance with Title 25, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), § 151.12(b), which was published on April 24, 1996 at 61 Federal Register 18083.

The Tribe should provide a Warranty Deed and a Final Title Insurance Policy. All taxes, charges, and/or assessments levied and/or assessed against the parcel must be paid and not appear in the final title insurance policy. The final title insurance policy for the parcel must be prepared on an ALTA U.S. Policy - 9/28/91 form designed for land acquisition by the USA.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Randall Trickey, Acting Regional Realty Officer at (615) 467-1576.

Sincerely,

Director, Eastern Region

Enclosure(s)

PUBLIC NOTICE**FINAL NOTICE OF INTENT TO TAKE LAND IN TRUST****DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Indian Affairs****Notice of Final Agency Action****AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of final agency action.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior has decided to take approximately 2361.162 acres (more or less) of land, located in Highlands County, Florida into trust for the Miccosukee Tribe of Florida (Tribe). The Secretary shall acquire title in the name of the United States no sooner than 30 days after notice is published. This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary — Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.1.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Cherry Ranch

A part of that land described in O.R. Book 217, Page 313 thru 315, the public records of Highlands County, Florida. Said land lying in parts of Sections 19, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, Township 38 South, Range 31 East, Highlands County, Florida.